

### NOTICE OF DISPOSAL BAN

# **Effective October 1, 2005**

# Certain Electronic Equipment & Mercury-Containing Products

# Cannot be put in the garbage & will not be accepted at transfer stations

Effective October 1, 2005, King County residents and businesses can no longer put certain electronics and mercury-containing products in the garbage or take them to a transfer station for disposal. These items contain toxic materials that are hazardous to human health. They also contain valuable materials that can be recycled in a way that protects human health and the environment. *See back of flier for recycling options.* 

#### These items will be banned from the garbage & transfer stations:



#### **Electronic Equipment:**

- Cell Phones
- Computers, Monitors & Laptops
- Televisions



#### **Mercury-Containing Products:**

- "Button" Batteries Includes small button or coin-sized batteries used in watches, thermometers, hearing aids, etc.
- Fluorescent Bulbs & Tubes Includes "green tipped" tubes & compact fluorescent bulbs
- Mercury Switches
- Thermometers
- Thermostats



See Back for Recycling Options

# ----- Recycling Options: -

Many private sector recycling options exist for these items. Some fees apply.

# For Computers, Monitors, Laptops, Cell Phones, Televisions and other Electronic Equipment:

- Contact a "Take It Back Network" business. These businesses accept used electronic equipment for reuse or recycling. For a list of businesses, contact the Solid Waste Division at 206-296-4466, toll free 1-800-325-6165, ext. 6-4466, TTY Relay: 711 or via the web at www.metrokc.gov/dnrp/takeitback.
- Curbside collection of electronics is available in some cities check with your city.
- Electronics are accepted at Recycling Collection Events (seasonal). For more information, contact King County Solid Waste Division.

## Por Fluorescent Bulbs & Tubes:

- Residents Accepted at local retailers. Call the King County Solid Waste Division or visit www.productstewardship.net. Also accepted at Household Hazardous Waste facilities. Call the Household Hazards Line at 206-296-4692, TTY Relay: 711 or visit www.govlink.org/hazwaste/house/products/list.cfm.
- **Businesses** Call the Business Waste Line at 206-296-3976, TTY Relay: 711 or visit www.govlink.org/hazwaste/business/fluor.

## **3** For Thermostats:

- Residents Accepted free at local businesses.
   Call the Household Hazards Line at 206-296-4692, TTY Relay: 711 or visit www.govlink.org/hazwaste/business/wastedirectory/wastedetails.cfm?wasteid=200
- Businesses Accepted free at local businesses.
  Call the Business Waste Line at 206-296-3976, TTY Relay: 711 or visit
  www.govlink.org/hazwaste/business/wastedirectory/wastedetails.cfm?wasteid=200

### **A** For Other Mercury-Containing Products:

- Residents Accepted at Household Hazardous Waste facilities. Call the Household Hazards Line at 206-296-4692, TTY Relay: 711 or visit www.govlink.org/hazwaste/house/disposal/othersites/index.html/#north
- Businesses Call the Business Waste Line at 206-296-3976, TTY Relay: 711 or visit www.govlink.org/hazwaste/business/wastedirectory/wasteindex.cfm

#### - Questions? -

Contact the King County Solid Waste Division at 206-296-4466, toll free 1-800-325-6165, ext. 6-4466, TTY Relay: 711 during regular business hours or via the web at www.metrokc.gov/dnrp/swd

This notice will be provided in alternate formats upon request.